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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated 1/17/03, in the above-identified patent application, Applicant submits the following Remarks. The period for response to this office action having been extended by three months by the accompanying petition for extension of time. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider the grounds for rejection stated in the Office Action.